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1. A copy of the following teletype sent by the Berlin railroad headquarters on 12 October 1950 was obtained:
"Effective immediately the refrigerator cars arriving via Frankfurt/Oder or Guben loaded with fat, meat, or fish, will not be returned empty to Brest-Litovsk or Kovel but to their home stations."
2. The last refrigerator train coming from Brest-Litovsk passed through Frankfurt/Oder en route to Berlin/Zentralviehhof on 14 October 1950. Since that time only individual refrigerator cars attached to scheduled freight trains in accordance with previous procedures have arrived in Frankfurt/Oder from where they are dispatched to the central stock yard in Berlin. *

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* Comment. The refrigerator shuttle train operation which was previously reported seems to have stopped.

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